Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Eagle Scouts of America are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent; and,

Whereas, Gerald T. Soroko, Jr., a young man from Drums, Pennsylvania, has been participating in scouting, earning many merit badges and skill awards in a myriad of areas; and,

Whereas, Gerald has been striving for the ultimate goal in scouting and earned his Eagle Scout award by researching the history of the Company K, 81st Pennsylvania Regiment, locating the gravestones of two soldiers buried at the Eckley Cemetery (Est. 1857), and photographing each gravestone in order to preserve the information for family members and historians; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of the major accomplishments in the lives of our nation's young people:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 4, 2005, as

GERALD SOROKO, JR. DAY

in South Dakota.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State